

FORTY-FIFTH YEAR.

A COUNTY IN LUCK.

Mercer's Rural Districts Favored by Nature in the Mat- ter of Roads.

A WISE SYSTEM OF REPAIRS

Helps Also to Keep the Highways in Passable Condition at All Seasons.

TAXES ARE NOT BURDENSOME

And Experience Has Proven That Good Thoroughfares Cost Less in the End Than Poor Ones.

THE ADVANCED IDEAS OF AN OHIO MAN

Lead Him to Reconstruct the Public Road Through His Farm, Converting It Into a Magnificent Drive-way.

WHERE TRAVELING BECOMES A PLEASURE

Mercer is one of the fortunate counties of Western Pennsylvania. It has good roads. This is partly due to the favorable nature of the soil, and partly to the system of repairing. A farmer who removed there from Ohio has set a good example to his neighbors in making an excellent drive-way of the public road through his land.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

COUNTRY ROAD EXPEDITION.

MERCER, April 22.—Emil Kroust is dead now. A great many old timers back here used to be talkers on the old turnpike between Butler and Mercer. The early Harmons and other great German farmers patrolled the pike a great deal. They have set down to posterity this story about the tollkeeper: One night Kroust dreamed that the Day of Judgment had

arrived, and that himself and his neighbors had been summoned to give accounts of themselves. As their conduct deserved, they were then separated, some being placed among the goats on the left hand and others among the sheep on the right hand. Several of his fellow tollkeepers on the Mercer turnpike having been sent over to the goats for their invidious exactions, Kroust, somewhat after this fashion, related what happened to himself.

Kroust's Strange Experience.

"Then the Lord said to me: 'Stand before me, Kroust. Kroust, you take too much toll.' 'Yes, Lord,' I said, 'I take too much toll—but from the rich only, and not from the poor.' Then the Lord said: 'Friend Kroust, you may go to the right hand among the sheep, but let me tell you it is a tight squeeze.'"

Approved That Endorsed.

"I told the supervisors to bridge that gully down there. About \$150 would have done it. They refused on the score of expense, 'it merely being a sinkhole,' they said. In the end, the annual repairs to the road over that gully will cost a great deal more than \$150. There should be intelligence in road building."

TAKING A BIG INTEREST.

"I want to see them widened first," he replied. "Then we can have some room to keep a good dirt road. That it will be time enough to talk about macadam. I am in favor of all improvement in roads."

THE HIGHWAYS OF OHIO.

Mr. Jacobs says Ohio is far ahead of this State in their method of repairing and maintaining roads. There every man over 21 has a personal obligation without the exception of the country to sound public policy.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HAS REPORTED.

The Finance Committee last night reported a resolution directing the corporation counsel to bring suit upon the official bonds of each member of the county board of supervisors.

THE WORLD'S FAIR BILL HAS FINALLY PASSED

WASHINGTON, April 22.—The House of Representatives today passed the bill for the World's Fair in the city of St. Louis, Mo., which was introduced by Representative Charles McNary of Oregon.

A DROP IN GOLD.

NEW YORK, April 22.—The gold market today was quiet and steady. The price of gold was 130.00 per ounce, and the price of silver was 62.00 per ounce.

A FARMER COMMITS SUICIDE BY DROWNING.

FITCHBURG, Mass., April 22.—The body of ex-Mayor Eli Cull was found in the reservoir of the city water works this morning. He was found by a fisherman who had been fishing in the reservoir.

EVERYWHERE IN MERCER COUNTY WE OBSERVED THE GOOD RESULTS OF SUCH A SYSTEM.

THAT JEANNETTE CASE

Comes Up During the Course of the Congressional Contest Labor Investigation—Robert D. Layton on the Stand.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH: NEW YORK, April 22.—During the immigration investigation today Robert D. Layton, of Pittsburgh, was one of the witnesses. Mr. Layton testified that one of the inspectors here, To Chairman Owen the witness said that he only came in contact with the immigrant after he was landed. He instanced a case of six men who were brought over from Germany and were working in a city in Western States. These men told him they came over upon a letter written by a woman who had been chased from Denver to Lincoln and New York.

FIFTEEN BREAKS IN THE LEVEES

Threaten a District Containing Over 40,000 Population.

AN APPEAL TO GOVERNOR NICHOLS

To Send Relief to the Relief of Those Who Are in Danger of Death.

There are 15 breaks in the levees in the vicinity of New Orleans. Portions of the country are under water. Parts of the surrounding country are in imminent danger. The damage to property will amount to millions.

THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

The Federal Government, through the Secretary of War, gave liberally toward the maintenance and support of the Point Coupee levees, and Major Kingman, United States Engineer in charge of this district, was stationed at Morganza, the largest and most important levee in the Mississippi valley.

MCCALLA'S COURT MARRIAGE.

The commencement of one of the most interesting trials of late years.

New York, April 22.—The court marriage of Commander McCalla commenced today on a charge of "severe and cruel treatment and violations of the articles for the government of the United States Army." The case has taken place in many years, and attracts general attention on account of the reported cruelties on board the United States ship Enterprise.

THE GREATEST DISASTER.

But the greatest disaster occurred later today when the Morganza levee gave way. This broke the levee between the Mississippi and the Atchafalaya rivers, and a great portion of Southern Louisiana. It is one of the finest levees on the Mississippi, with a 200 foot base and 100 feet top.

THIRTY OR FORTY LOST.

A Chinaman's Carelessness the Cause of an Awful Disaster.

CHENEY, Wyo., April 22.—A fire is in progress in No. 4 mine at Coal Springs. It is believed that 30 or 40 men are trapped in the mine. The fire started in a room where a Chinaman was cooking lunch. It started near the entrance, and it took the wind and spread rapidly.

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ATLANTA, Ga., April 22.—Considerable blood was spilled in a riot in the city of Atlanta today. The riot was caused by a dispute between a group of men and a group of women.

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PITTSBURG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 1920.

DUNN WAS A PROPHET

The People of New Orleans Now Believe His Dire Predictions.

PROBABLY ANOTHER CLASH.

Quay Has Made One More Recommendation in Mr. Dalm's Territory.

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CHICAGO THE SCENE

Of a Desperate Struggle Between Organized Labor and Capital.

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THREE CENTS

A BOOM FOR BIG DAN.

Philadelphia Business Men Organize for Earnest Work.

BLAIR COUNTY, ON THE FIRST BALLOT.

Instructs Its Delegates to Vote for the Center County Candidate.

PHILADELPHIA, APRIL 22.—

The business men's meeting to advance General Hastings' candidacy for Governor was held this afternoon in the parlors of the Continental Hotel. In point of numbers the meeting was not so large as its promoters expected it to be, but 500 delegates had been instructed for Hastings by a 2 to 1 vote.

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